Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul And the Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel

18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, Archbishop of Philadelphia

November 26, 2023



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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 5:15 PM - Anticipated Mass on Saturday

in the Cathedral Basilica

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM - Mass in

the Cathedral Basilica

12:30 PM - Spanish Mass in the

Cathedral Chapel

(Misa en español, en la Capilla)

6:30 PM - Mass in the Cathedral Basilica

Weekdays: 7:15 AM, 12:05 PM - Mass in the

Cathedral Chapel

Saturdays: 12:05 PM - Mass in the Cathedral Chapel

Holy Days: See website

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE SCHEDULE

9:00 AM and 5:30 PM in the Basilica **Sunday:**

12:00 PM (español) en la Capilla

Weekdays: 11:30 AM in the Basilica **Saturday:** 4:15 PM in the Basilica

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for the:

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE, SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK, AND HOLY COMMUNION OF THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

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Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM 1723 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 • 215-561-1313 www.cathedralphila.org • info@cathedralphila.org Shrine of Saint Katharine Drexel https://www.saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com/

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Sunday, November 26, 2023

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!" MK. 11:9,10 R. Alleluia, alleluia.

MASS Intentions

November 25 Saturday, Weekday St. Catherine of Alexandria 12:05 Intentions of Sarah

12:05 Intentions of Sara Louise Berardi 5:15 Angelo Ranalli

November 26 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 For the People of the Parish 9:30 For the Holy Souls 11:00 Joanne Marie Stringer 12:30 Carlos y Carmen Colon 6:30 Giovanna Gobbi

November 27 Monday, Weekday (Thirty-Fourth or Last Time in Ordinary Time)

7:15 Lawrence J. Hennessy 12:05 Joseph Paul

November 28 Tuesday, Weekday 7:15 Mark Mansfield 12:05 Marshall Topps

November 29 Wednesday, Weekday
7:15 Mary Catherine
Callahan

12:05 Sherrie Gardler

November 30 Thursday St. Andrew

7:15 For the Holy Souls 12:05 Dolores & Robert Ryder

December 1 Friday, Weekday

7:15 Living & Deceased Members of the League of the Sacred

Heart

12:05 Mario S. D'Adamo III,

Esq.

December 2 Saturday, Weekday 12:05 Lucinda Gursky

5:15 Ercolino Ranalli

December 3 First Sunday of Advent

8:00	For the People of the Parish
9:30	Rosemary Napierkowski
11:00	Essie Mae Rubin
12:30	Gregorio Gonzalez
6:30	Ralph Kalish

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, the last Sunday of the Liturgical Year. The Gospel for this Sunday, nicknamed the Last Judgment Gospel, speaks to our personal judgment upon death when the Lord will scrutinize our living the Christian life according to our good deeds. "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me (Matthew 25: 40)." In the Kingdom of Christ, we all belong to him and to one another. One of the essential aspects of this Kingdom is living our Christian lives in imitation of the King of the Universe, laying down our lives for one another. Concretely, this manifests itself in our genuine service to the needs of our brothers and sisters. As we read this Gospel (see Matthew 25: 31-46), we see everyday ways that we can provide for the corporal and spiritual needs of one another. In a time when isolation from others has become the norm for so many, all the more we are compelled as brothers and sisters of the Lord, the King of the Universe, to make his Kingdom more real in our midst as we extend ourselves to one another. Christ gives us the grace and strength to do this now and always.

Today, November 26 is also the birthday of Saint Katharine Drexel, born in 1858. With her sacred remains in our Cathedral Basilica, she is so very near to us here and in glory. I encourage you to turn to Saint Katharine Drexel frequently in prayer for her heavenly aid for your many intentions.

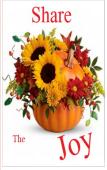
Next Sunday, December 3, 2023, is the First Sunday of Advent and the Opening of our Annual Eucharistic Devotion, our Parish Forty Hours. Advent gives us the opportunity to prepare for the Nativity of the Lord with a deeper sense of God's provident love for us in sending us our Savior and Redeemer. Perhaps this year the need is even greater for us to take seriously this time of joyful anticipation of the Birth of Jesus with focused prayer and reflection. Participation in the Annual Eucharistic Devotion is a wonderful Advent opportunity to be in the Presence of the Lord and know his Real Presence to us. Plan now to be a part of the Forty Hours. Please see more information about the Forty Hour in this edition of the parish bulletin. Come, let us adore him!

During these last days of November, we continue to pray in an intentional way for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

I thank all of you who have been so generous with your contribution to the annual Parish Fall Collection (formerly known as the Block Collection). The income from this collection is a tremendous help, especially as we look forward to the painting of the interior of the Cathedral Basilica. The response to date has been much less than in years past. If you have already made your contribution, thank you so very much. If you have not, please consider doing so.

Thank you to all our parishioners and visitors for your goodness and generosity to the Cathedral Parish. The second collection next Sunday will be directed to support the national collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. You can mail your Sunday offerings to the Cathedral Parish Office or give electronically. Please see http://cathedralphila.org/donate/. Thank you so very much.

God bless you, Father Dennis Gill Rector



PRAYER | PARTICIPATION | GENEROSITY

Make a gift that continues the God-given gifts you receive and give during your lifetime. A gift to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul Parish Fund through your will or other planned gift creates a perpetual legacy of support. Consider supporting the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in this very special way.

Your support makes a difference in the life of our Church. Consider a gift of stock, insurance, real estate, retirement plan or cash to provide for the future of our parish.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Pray for us. And let us remember to pray for each other always!

For more information, visit: www.cathedralphila.org.

Your generosity on 11/19 was:

Regular \$5,041

Special 1,121 (to support the religious education programs

Electronic* 2,540 of the Cathedral Parish)

\$8,702

*Electronic giving is your average weekly giving for October.

Thank you!

Thank you for your generosity to the Cathedral Parish

Please consider a gift to support the good works of our Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

- You are invited to become a member of our parish family and take part in our ministries, programs, events, and worship. Please speak with Deacon Burgos, email us at info@cathedralphila.org or call the office at 215-561-1313 to make an appointment with Father Gill or Father Artman, and one of them can help you register.
- Consider the Cathedral in your Financial Plan call Rose at the Cathedral office 215-561-1313. She can help with your Estate planning such as adding the Cathedral as a beneficiary of your life insurance, IRA, annuity or a memorial gift. She can also help you with Tax Planning such as a gift of appreciated stock or a distribution from your IRA.
- Donate on-line at http://cathedralphila.org/donate or scan this QR code:



Readings for Mass for this Week

Please see the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: usccb.org/bible/readings

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

With Jesus Christ as our Head and Foundation, the Cathedral Parish of Saints Peter and Paul forms a vibrant Roman Catholic community in Center City and serves all those who come to the Cathedral Basilica, the Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Our parish community professes our Catholic Faith, ministers to others and welcomes all, as rooted in the Word of God and the celebration of the Sacraments of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Adopted by the Parish Council August 10, 2021

TODAY! EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023 OLLOWING THE 11:00 AM MASS

FOLLOWING THE 11:00 AM MASS THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Let us announce the reign of Christ in our time and in our world with a procession of his Holy Body and Blood through the streets of Center City Philadelphia. The public praise of the Most Blessed Sacrament fills believers with joy and deepens the faith those encountered along the way.

The Procession will begin immediately following the 11:00 AM Solemn Mass in the Cathedral Basilica.

Parking is available.

CATECHETICAL SESSION FOR ADULTS -Adult faith formation-

The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation

Sin, Mortal and Venial

Thursday, November 30, 2023, 7:00 PM

Meeting in the Neumann Room

The weekly catechetical session is primarily for the adults among us who are preparing to receive the Easter Sacraments. However, **anyone** interested in the topic for better understanding and faith formation is most welcome to attend. Anyone, especially our parishioners, seeking more information on the reception of the Sacraments or assisting as a sponsor, please call the Parish Office, 215-561-1313 or email Father Dennis Gill at fr.dgill@archphila.org

Hearing Devices Available - If you or someone you know is in need of a hearing device at Mass, please ask one of the Greeters to assist you. They may be borrowed from the sacristy and returned after Mass.

Please remember these parishioners and friends of the Cathedral Parish in your prayers/ Oren por los enfermos y fallecidos:
Jose Estrada Molina's intentions, Angelica's intentions, Chris Geary, Nwafor's intentions, Mauricio Álvarez, Laurette Mugisha, Rojo Imedio Family, Alex & Paige Bednarsky, Laura and Gaby, Maybel Matthews, Jorge Garcia's intentions, Margaret R. Farley, Marco Jardina, José Mon López, Luis Ervin Sacro, Maria del Carmen Martin, Angel Morel, Allison Torres, For the intentions submitted to PrayersUniteTheWorld.org., and those in nursing homes or hospitals and all the sick. To add or remove parishioners, friends or family members to the prayer list, please send an email to: prayingforyou@cathedralphila.org. Por favor envíe un email o llame a la oficina parroquial para añadir o remover los nombres de la lista de personas que estén enfermas.

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Declaración de la Misión de la Parroquia Catedral de los Santos Pedro y Pablo

Con Jesucristo como nuestra Cabeza y Fundamento, la Parroquia Catedral de los Santos Pedro y Pablo forma una vibrante comunidad Católica Romana en el centro de la ciudad y sirve a todos aquellos que vienen a la Catedral Basílica, la Iglesia Madre de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia. Nuestra comunidad parroquial profesa nuestra fe católica, ministra a los demás y da la bienvenida a todos, enraizada en la Palabra de Dios y la celebración de los sacramentos de Jesucristo, nuestro Señor y Salvador.

Adoptado por el Consejo Pastoral Parroquial, agosto 10, 2021

LA SOLEMNIDAD DE LA INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN DE LA SANTÍSIMA VIRGEN MARÍA 8 de diciembre del 2023 Día Santo de Precepto

Tendremos Misa en español a las 7:00 PM para la Vigilia del 7 de diciembre del 2023 en la Capilla de la Catedral

Tendremos parqueo disponible

DEVOCIÓN EUCARÍSTICA ANUAL – CUARENTA HORAS EN LA CATEDRAL BASÍLICA DE LOS SANTOS PEDRO Y PABLO

DOMINGO, LUNES Y MARTES 3, 4 Y 5 DE DICIEMBRE DEL 2023

Tendremos el privilegio de tener esta Devoción Eucarística Anual comenzando el Primer Domingo de Adviento, las primeras Cuarenta Horas en la Arquidiócesis con el comienzo del nuevo Año Litúrgico. Estos tres días de oración nos alientan a tomarnos un tiempo para reflexionar sobre el gran regalo de la Eucaristía a la Iglesia, a cada uno de nosotros.

VELA CONMEMORATIVA PARA LOS FIELES DIFUNTOS

Las velas de seis días están disponibles ahora y durante todo el mes de noviembre mientras nos unimos a la Iglesia y oramos por las Santas Almas del Purgatorio. Estas velas arden en el Altar de los fieles difuntos a partir del 2 de noviembre, y nos recuerdan nuestras oraciones por aquellos que han muerto.



REFLEXIÓN DEL PÁRROCO

Estimados feligreses,

Hoy es la Solemnidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo, último domingo del Año Litúrgico. El evangelio de este domingo, apodado el evangelio del Juicio Final, habla de nuestro juicio personal sobre la muerte, cuando el Señor examinará nuestra forma de vivir la vida cristiana de acuerdo con nuestras buenas obras. "Yo les aseguro que, cuando lo hicieron con el más insignificante de mis hermanos, conmigo lo hicieron (Mateo 25:40)". En el Reino Cristo, todos le pertenecemos a él y a los demás. Uno de los aspectos esenciales de este reino es vivir nuestra vida cristiana a imitación del Rey del Universo, entregando nuestra vida unos por otros. Concretamente, esto se manifiesta en nuestro servicio genuino a las necesidades de nuestros hermanos y hermanas. Al leer este evangelio (ver Mateo 25: 31-46), vemos maneras cotidianas en las que podemos satisfacer las necesidades corporales y espirituales unos de otros. En una época en la que el aislamiento de los demás se ha convertido en la norma para tantas personas, nos sentimos aún más obligados, como hermanos y hermanas del Señor, el Rey del Universo, a hacer más real su Reino entre nosotros a medida que nos extendemos el uno al otro. Cristo nos da la gracia y la fuerza para hacer esto ahora y siempre.

Hoy, 26 de noviembre, es también el cumpleaños de Santa Katharine Drexel, nacida en el 1858. Con sus sagrados restos en nuestra Catedral Basílica, está muy cerca de nosotros aquí y en gloria. Los animo a acudir frecuentemente a Santa Katharine Drexel en oración para pedirle su ayuda celestial para nuestras múltiples intenciones.

El próximo domingo 3 de diciembre del 2023 es el Primer Domingo de Adviento y la Apertura de nuestra Devoción Eucarística Anual, nuestras Cuarenta Horas Parroquiales. El Adviento nos da la oportunidad de prepararnos para la Natividad del Señor con un sentido más profundo del amor providente de Dios por nosotros al enviarnos a nuestro Salvador y Redentor. Quizás este año sea aún mayor la necesidad de que tomemos en serio este tiempo de anticipación gozosa del Nacimiento de Jesús con oración y reflexión enfocadas. La participación en la Devoción Eucarística Anual es una maravillosa oportunidad de Adviento para estar en la Presencia del Señor y conocer su Presencia Real ante nosotros. Planifique ahora ser parte de las Cuarenta Horas. Consulte más información sobre las Cuarenta Horas en esta edición del boletín parroquial. ¡Ven, Adorémosle!

Durante estos últimos días de noviembre, continuamos orando de manera intencional por todas las Ánimas del Purgatorio. Que sus almas, y todas las almas de los fieles difuntos, por la misericordia de Dios, descansen en paz. Amén.

Les agradezco a todos los que han sido tan generosos con su contribución a la Colecta Parroquial Anual de Otoño (anteriormente conocida como Colecta de Bloques). Los ingresos de esta colecta son de gran ayuda, especialmente ahora que esperamos con ansias la pintura del interior de la Catedral Basílica. La respuesta hasta la fecha ha sido mucho menor que en años anteriores. Si ya has hecho tu aportación muchas gracias. Si no lo ha hecho, considere hacerlo.

Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su bondad y generosidad hacia la Parroquia Catedral. La segunda colecta el próximo domingo estará dirigida a apoyar la colecta nacional para el Fondo de Jubilación de Religiosos. Puede enviar sus ofrendas dominicales por correo a la oficina parroquial de la Catedral o donar electrónicamente. Consulte http://cathedralphila.org/donate/. Muchas gracias.

Dios los bendiga, Padre Dennis Gill Rector

FORTY HOURS AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA SUNDAY, MONDAY, AND TUESDAY DECEMBER 3, 4, AND 5, 2023

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul is privileged to have this Annual Eucharistic Devotion beginning the First Sunday of Advent, the first Forty Hours in the Archdiocese with the beginning of the new Liturgical Year. These three days of prayer encourage us to take time to reflect on the great gift of the Eucharist to the Church, to each of us.

The complete schedule of the Forty Hours can be found on the Cathedral website, https://cathedralphila.org/. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament is around the clock during the Forty Hours.

Join us especially for Evening Prayer on Monday, December 4, and Tuesday, December 5, at 5:15 PM in the Cathedral Basilica.

Clergy are invited to be in choir for Evening Prayer on both evenings.

Parking is available.

As the Church in the United States invites all Catholics to grasp more deeply the Mystery of the Eucharist with the Eucharistic Revival (see https://

www.eucharisticrevival.org/), the Eucharistic Procession and the Forty Hours provides wonderful opportunities for everyone, especially families, to do so.

ADVENT GIVING TREE 2023

PLEASE TAKE ONE OR MORE PAPER
ORNAMENTS. We are giving our families GIFT
CARDS of \$25-\$50 or more. Cards from Walmart,
Target, CVS, Dollar Tree, or Visa are the most helpful.
Please return the cards with the ornaments you chose;
you may put them in the collection basket or give them to
a sacristan. YOU MAY DONATE ON OUR ONLINE
PLATFORM TO PURCHASE GIFT CARDS FOR
OUR CHILDREN!

THE ORGANIZATIONS WILL RECEIVE WRAPPED GIFTS as indicated on the ornaments. Please purchase the gift (s), and RETURN THE ORNAMENT AND GIFT, wrapped or in a gift bag, to a sacristan, a priest, or the parish office.

ALL GIFTS MUST BE IN BY THE 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 10TH! We need time to distribute the gifts!

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, please call or leave a message with Sister Mary Raphael, 215-561-1313, x134. Thank you for your generosity!

The Divine Mercy Chaplet

Please join us as we pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Each Friday at 3:00 PM.

Join Via Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 875 6706 8541 Passcode: Mercy

"Jesus, I trust in you." St. Faustina, Pray for us!

Excellent faith formation at your fingertips!

Subscribe for free to this exciting online platform, www.FORMED.org. Parish code, <u>07854f</u>.



ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, PHILADELPHIA, PA CATHEDRALPHILACONCERTS.ORG



Saint John's Hospice is a Catholic Social Services shelter for men located in Center City Philadelphia. Established in 1963 by Monsignor Anthony J. O'Neill, Pastor of Saint John the Evangelist Church, and The Little Brothers of The Good Shepherd, Saint Johns was created as an outreach ministry to serve and assist the poor and homeless in the community. Saint John's continues to provide crucial, life-sustaining services with dignity, respect and compassion to homeless men in Philadelphia. Saint John's Hospice is an independent 501c3 agency associated with the charitable work of Catholic Social Services.

Programs: Residence with 40 bed residential facility for men and a 12 bed residential facility for medically fragile men in St. John's Hospice & Good Shepherd programs; Case management, medical and counseling for all residents and day service guests; Mail Room for over 900 homeless men; 160 showers with clean clothing, underwear & shoes every week; Over 3,000 meals each week to homeless & needy men; Emergency bed overnight shelter for 28 homeless men where they can receive a meal & bed every night.

Donate: Monetary donations://saintjohnshospice.org/Contact information 1221 Race St. Philadelphia, PA 19107 adicesare@chs-adphila.org (215) 563-7763.

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ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION, "THE O ANTIPHONS"

DECEMBER 16, 2023 FROM 9AM-3:30PM

This day of recollection includes Mass, Confessions, personal prayer time, Eucharistic Adoration and spiritual conferences.

Retreat Director: Mother Maria Catherine of the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate

Location: Drexel Hall, Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia (free parking available)

Philly Adoration for Vocations

Thursdays, 9am to 5pm

Sacred Heart Chapel St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

100 E. Wynnewood Road, Wynnewood PA

Sign up today to pray for an increase in vocations:

Heedthecall.org/PhillyAdores





Questions? Phillyadoration@gmail.com





ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

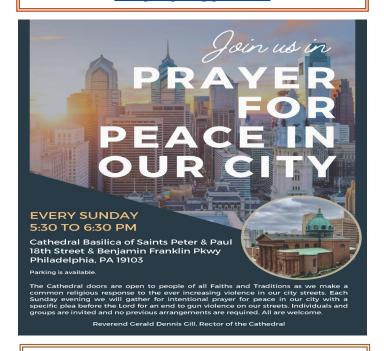
"There is no salvation through anyone else." Does a life of joy in knowing you are following the Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life inspire you? It is hard to discern without the right information.

Contact the Vocation Office at 610-667-5778 or go to https://heedthecall.org/



Men's Study Group

We will meet for one hour on the **second and fourth**Wednesday of the month in Drexel hall at 7 PM.
For more information contact Michael McGeough at
mmcgeough64@gmail.com



NEW YEARS YOUNG ADULT RETREAT WITH CFRS ON December 29th-31st Friday 5:00 pm – Sunday 1:00 pm

Young Adults in their 20s & 30s are all welcome to Malvern Retreat House for a weekend retreat with the CFR Brothers and Sisters to close out 2023 with praise and thanksgiving and prepare for a new year with the aid of prayer, fellowship, reflection and the Eucharist. The weekend will include talks, testimonies and music from the CFR Franciscans, Holy Mass, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, group discussion, a bonfire, and time for silence and solitude amidst the peace and beauty of Malvern Retreat House.

Cost: \$175 (includes meals & lodging; scholarship is available)

Location: St. Joseph's Hall, Malvern Retreat House, Malvern. PA 19355



DREXEL SHRINE MISSION AWARD

Essays due Friday, December 1st, Via Email, <u>DrexelShrine@ArchPhila.org</u>

All High School Juniors in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia are encouraged to submit a short, 250-word essay explaining what the following quote from St. Katharine means to them: "It is for each of us to learn the path by which He requires us to follow Him, and to follow Him in that path." The prize is \$250 to help with the various expenses of applying to college!